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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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July 7, 1977

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR: ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI

FROM: ROBERT A. PASTOR *Bab*

SUBJECT: Human Rights in Argentina

~~Department of State, A/GS/IPS/SRP~~
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We have just received a short paper (Tab A) from State responding to your memorandum of June 27 asking that State acknowledge the improvement in the Argentina picture. ARA, which probably drafted the memorandum, is not exactly known for its reluctance to compliment Latin American governments when given the chance; and therefore, their note of caution carries great credibility. I have attached at Tab B the cable, which I recommend be sent to the post, and at Tab C, a cable on the meeting between Videla and Mendez of Uruguay which lends support to State's conclusion.

I recommend you send the memorandum at Tab I because the President raised the point about acknowledging the Argentine case a second time during his conversation with President Perez of Venezuela.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That you forward the memorandum at Tab I to the President.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

*Discussed with
President 7/9*

2. That you instruct me to clear the cable at Tab B.

Approve *one* _____ Disapprove _____

*revised to
confirm to memo*

*from 2B to same
(abridged)*

*See your memo at Tab C.
It's a useful reminder
about what this package is
all about.*

Jessica Tuchman concurs

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